

## Answers to Common Questions Raised in the Survey Feedback Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge

## Bike and pedestrian facility details and safety features

- How will safety be improved for pedestrians and bicyclists?
  - A 12-foot wide shared-used trail will be constructed along Exchange Street connecting Eagle Parkway to Kellogg Boulevard, where no facility exists today. This offers an opportunity for bicyclists and pedestrians to have a dedicated space separated from motorized vehicles by a concrete barrier.
- Will there be lighting in the Exchange Street Tunnel?
  - The proposed Exchange Street Tunnel will have ample lighting, which will increase visibility and improve overall pedestrian and cyclist safety and comfort. Nature-centric art features will be added to the walls and shareduse trail to enhance the space and make it more inviting.
- How will pedestrians and bicyclists exit/enter the Exchange Street viaduct at Washington Street?
  - A refuge island (waiting space) will be constructed at Washington Street and the entrance/exit to the Exchange Street Tunnel. This refuge island will allow pedestrians and bicyclists to stop and clear vehicular traffic before crossing Kellogg Boulevard.
  - Pedestrians and bicyclists will use the crosswalk and pedestrian signals to cross Kellogg Boulevard and connect with the sidewalks and future Capital City Bikeway.
- What will the crosswalks at Washington Street look like?
  - Crosswalks on Kellogg Boulevard at Washington Street are currently skewed.
    The project will reconfigure the crosswalks and the design will provide a
    more squared-off intersection allowing pedestrians to follow a shortened
    path of travel.

## **Capital City Bikeway Project**

For more information about the Capital City Bikeway Project see the project webpage.

- How will the new shared trail on Exchange Street connect to the Capital City Bikeway?
  - The proposed trail improves pedestrian/bicyclist accessibility through the Exchange Street Tunnel. This missing link will connect the Sam Morgan Regional Trail to downtown Saint Paul. The south segment of the Capital City Bikeway will be constructed on Kellogg Boulevard.
- Why is construction of the Capital City Bikeway on Kellogg Boulevard NOT being done at the same time as the Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge project?
  - Conceptual design layouts for the Capital City Bikeway indicate that the proposed bikeway will be constructed along the north side of Kellogg Boulevard. The Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge construction project



- will not impact the north side of Kellogg Boulevard—all work will be done on the south side of Kellogg Boulevard.
- Public Works staff coordinate construction projects to minimize impacts to residents, visitors, and businesses. Construction of these projects (Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge and Capital City Bikeway) at the same time would require a full closure of Kellogg Boulevard and restrict access in this area.

## **Traffic safety improvements**

- What is being done at the intersections, especially at Washington Street with traffic merging from Exchange Street to Kellogg Boulevard?
  - Traffic patterns on Kellogg Boulevard will remain similar to what they are today. The design aims to maintain driving familiarity for users on Kellogg Boulevard. Traffic merging from Exchange Street to Kellogg Boulevard will advance through the intersection using a traffic signal.
- What is being done to reduce speeds?
  - Narrower vehicle lanes will be built on Kellogg Boulevard to reduce speed. Current vehicle lanes on Kellogg Boulevard vary in widths from 12 feet to 18 feet. The design proposes the use of two 11-foot vehicle lanes on eastbound Kellogg.